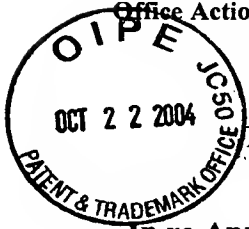


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AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Communication dated **September 27, 2004**, please amend the specification as follows:

- ☒ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- ☒ **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.